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VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

With the freſheſt Advices, Foreign and Domeſtic.

ENTERTAINMENT.

Qua tamen exarſit forma? Qua capta juſta eſt
Hippia? Quid vidit propter quod ludia dici
Suſtinuit? JUVENAL.

It is not Virtue, Wiſdom, Valour, Wit,
Strength, Comlineſs of Shape, or ampleſt Merit,
That Woman's Love can win or long inherit,
But what it is, hard is to ſay. —— MILTON.

THE following Story, related by *Arioſto* in his *Orlando Furioſo*, is ſo injurious to that beautiful Part of the Creation called the *fair Sex*, that one is at a Loſs to gueſs what could move the ingenious Author to give it a Place in his Works. The Manners of Womankind could never, I hope, be ſo degenerate, as to give any juſt Ground for ſuch a Satire; or if they were ſo in the Days when *Arioſto* wrote, how may we congratulate our own Times on their Improvement in Virtue? Since each one can obſerve for himſelf, that Conſtancy and Fidelity are now almoſt univerſally eſtabliſhed in the Room of their oppoſite Vices, the following Tale will I doubt not be treated as an unnatural Fiction, unlikely ever to have happened, and beyound all Bounds of Probability. I thought it right therefore to quote my Authority, and ſhall leave it to the Reader's Conſideration.

There reigned once in *Lombardy* a King named *Aſtolpho*, famous for his Beauty, and no leſs ſo for the high Conceit which he entertained of it. His Courtiers, ſenſible of their Maſter's Weakneſs, flattered themſelves into Favour by extolling the Charms of his Perſon. 'Twas the current Language to call him the handſomeſt of Men, the Jewel of *Italy*, another *Adonis*, and many other ſuch extravagant Appellations, to which *Aſtolpho* lent a very willing Ear.

A Rumour came at length to Court, of a young Gentleman named *Jucundo*, who lived at ſome Diſtance in the Country, and was ſaid to rival the King in Beauty. *Aſtolpho* immediately had a Deſire to ſee him, and being impatient to ſatisfy his Curioſity, he diſpatched one of his Favourites into the Country, to invite *Jucundo* to Court, making him many Overtures of his Friendſhip and Promiſes of Promotion, if he complied with his Deſires.

Jucundo was at this Time enjoying the moſt conſummate Happineſs, that Love and Innocence in a rural Retreat could afford him. Bleſs'd beyond Deſcription in the Arms of a beautiful Woman, of whom he was paſſionately fond, and who returned his Affection with equal Rapture, he found all his Wiſhes complete and ſatisfied, and reſolved to paſs his Days in Tranquillity and Retirement. When therefore the Meſſenger came from Court, and informed him of *Aſtolpho*'s Deſires, he excuſed himſelf as long as he could from complying with them. He humbly thanked his Prince for his gracious Offers, but begged Leave to repreſent to him, that his Views were entirely void of Ambition, that his Felicity was already perfect in the Fruition of his lovely Spouſe, with whom he lived in the greateſt conjugal Endearment, and that his Wiſhes reached no farther. To all this the Courtier remonſtrated, that the Commands of Kings were not to be diſpenſed with, that it would be in the higheſt Degree unpolite to fruſtrate a Monarch's Deſires, and that a very ſhort Reſidence at Court would ſoon cure him of thoſe romantic, old-faſhioned Notions, about matrimonial Happineſs and the Joys of Solitude, which Men who underſtood the *grand Monde* had long ago exploded: At leaſt, if he determined to waſte his Life in a miſerable Deſart, it behoved him nevertheleſs to make his Appearance at Court for a Time, and when the King had ſeen him, he might then return, if he pleaſed, to his Wife in the Country, and purſue that ſtrange Scheme of Happineſs, with which he ſeemed to be ſo unaccountably delighted. *Jucundo* replied much to this, and dwelt largely on the Difficulty of parting at all from the dear Object of his Soul, whoſe Happineſs he knew was ſo entirely wrapped up in him, that the very Thought of Abſence, tho' for ever ſo ſhort a Time, would be worſe than Death to her. But being at length overcome by the repeated Importunities of his Gueſt, he was obliged to conſent, and agreed to attend him to Court.

This being reſolv'd on, the poor trembling Huſband went to break the News to his Wife, who received it, as he expected, with the utmoſt Amazement and Affliction. She ſhed a Flood of Tears, and exhauſted all the tender Rhetoric of Grief to diſſuade him from his Purpoſe. At length, when ſhe found his Honour was too far engaged to recede, ſhe then applied herſelf in the warmeſt Manner to preſs his ſpeedy Return. A thouſand Times ſhe inſiſted that his Abſence ſhould not exceed a Month, and a thouſand Times he vowed the ſincereſt Obedience to her Will. She breded for him a Bracelet of her own Hairs, and gave him her Picture, to carry with him as Memorials of Love in the tedious Separation. In ſhort the laſt Scene of Tenderneſs, which paſſed between them on the Day of his Departure, exceeded any Thing that ever was recorded in Hiſtory or Romance.

Jucundo then ſet out on his Journey; but ſuch had been the Hurry and Agitation of his Mind at the laſt Interview, that he forgot to take with him the Bracelet and the Picture. When he had travelled ſeven or eight Miles he became ſenſible of this Omiſſion, and to repair his Fault galloped back in Perſon, not chuſing to truſt a Servant with the Conveyance of them. Perhaps a ſecret Deſire of once more bidding adieu to his dear Conſort, had its Sare in producing this Reſolution; but, however that be, he was no ſooner returned and alighted from his Horſe, than he flew up Stairs on the Wings of Love, and with as much Impatience as if he had already been abſent from her a Twelve-month. And now follows the ſad Part of the Story: For no ſooner had he opened his Chamber-door, than he beheld his chaſte *Penelope*, that darling Wife, on whom he doated with ſuch Tenderneſs, and who had always returned his Love with ſuch Tranſport, he beheld her

(Let me not name it to you, you chaſte Stars!
And thou pale Moon, turn paler at the Sound!)

faſt aſleep in the Arms of a Mooriſh Servant, who lay ſtretched out and ſnoring on the lovely Boſom of his Miſtreſs. Imagine the Aſtoniſhment, Horror, and Indignation, that ſeized on *Jucundo* at ſo ſtrange a Sight. In the firſt Tranſport of his Rage he drew his Sword, and was going to ſtab them both as they lay in their Embraces; but recovering himſelf on the Inſtant, "No," cries he, "perfidious Woman, thou art not worthy of "my Reſentment; live and riot in thy impious Amours; to the Remorſe "of thy own Conſcience I abandon thee for ever." And ſo ſaying he locked the Chamber-Door, remounted his Horſe, and purſued his Journey to Court.

But when he arrived there, he was no longer the handſome Man which Fame had reported him. Grief had entirely deſtroyed his Complexion, and altered his Features; his Vivacity was totally gone, and a ſettled Gloom reigned for ever in his Countenance. The Court-Ladies received him with Indifference, and ſneered to think that this ſhould be the *Narciſſus* of whom they had heard ſo much, and who was to do ſuch Execution among their Hearts. *Aſtolpho* however ſhewed him great Reſpect, appointed him an Apartment in the Palace, honoured him with his Friendſhip, and perhaps behaved better to him than he would have done had he found him handſomer.

But not all the King's Civilities could cure the Uneaſineſs of *Jucundo*'s Mind. His Health continually decreaſed, and Melancholy ſeemed every Hour to take deeper Poſſeſſion of him, when a little Accident happened which effectually reſtored him to himſelf. As he was walking one Day in a Gallery of the Palace, penſive and meditating on his unfortunate Lot, he heard a female Voice in one of the adjoining Apartments, upbraiding a Lover for Want of Affection. Curioſity led him to liſten, and perceiving a Chinck in the Wainſcot, he peeped thro' it and ſaw ——— the Queen herſelf in a very wanton Attitude, careſſing the King's Dwarf, who ſeemed to receive her Fondneſs with the moſt ſtupid Indifference, and appeared to look on her with Eyes of Averſion. So ſtrange, ſo wonderful a Sight, threw him immediately upon Reflection, and, upon comparing it with his own Caſe, he began to think it was the common Behaviour of Womankind: He perſuaded himſelf that he ſuffered nothing new, and that all Huſbands were in the ſame Condition. This immediately had a good Effect; he recovered his Spirits, regained his Complexion, and ſoon became the Favourite of all the Women at Court.

But as he had great Obligations to *Aſtolpho*, he thought it would be making an ill Return to ſee him injured in ſo tender a Part, and ſuffer him to remain in Ignorance of his Wrong. One Day therefore, when he had a fair Opportunity, he gave the King Information of all he had ſeen. *Aſtolpho* knew not how to believe it, and at firſt reſented ſo improbable a Suſpicion; but by ſtrict watching he ſoon became an Eye-Witneſs of the Fact. What Methods he took of puniſhing his Queen, would be a uſeleſs Enquiry; but 'tis ſaid he ſoon afterwards propoſed a very whimſical Project to *Jucundo*, and this was to make the Tour of *Italy*, and debauch as many Women as they could, by Way of Revenge for what they themſelves had ſuffered from their Wives. Without Delay they began their Adventures, and took with them a large Paper Book, deſigning to regiſter in it the Names of all the Women who ſhould yield to their Embraces. The Story ſays, that the Book was ſoon filled, and that the two Adventurers returned to *Aſtolpho*'s Palace, crowned with innumerable Lawrels.

HALL, (in Germany) May 3.

THE 29th of laſt Month we receiv'd from Fort St. George, in the Eaſt-Indies, Letters wrote by the Lutheran Miſſionaries in that Country, dated October 8, 1751, with Advice, that in Auguſt laſt the Engliſh repoſſeſſed themſelves of Arcatta, and the Country dependent thereon, and had reinſtated a Nabob, who had been driven from thence by Mouzaferſingue: That by this Advantage all the Country of Arcatta was at their Command as far as the River Collaram: That the Kings of Madurei and Maiſlur, being jealous of the Power of the new King of Golconda, had declar'd in Favour of the Engliſh, and made Alliances with them, whereby the latter are conſiderably ſtrengthen'd.

LONDON.

March 31. On Tuesday last the Honourable House of Commons presented an Address to his Majesty, that he would be pleased to give Directions to the Commissioners of Trade and Plantations, to prepare and lay before them at the Beginning of next Session of Parliament, a State of the Island of Jamaica, with its Strength, Trade, and Fortifications, and to what Degree the Number of white Inhabitants is increased or diminished since 1743.

April 2. We hear that the Negociations with Spain have a favourable Turn, and some who pretend they have Opportunities of being well informed, seem to be pretty confident that the Freedom of Navigation in the West-Indies, will speedily be the Subject of a final Arrangement with the Spanish Court; it appearing that most of the Captures were disowned by the Guarda Costas, as Insidents which they were no Ways concerned in, nor had they any Knowledge of, but that those Captures were made by Pirates, who infest the West-India Seas, who under the Pretext of Contraband Trade, take such English Ships as are not strong enough to make a Defence; on which Account the Court of Madrid has ordered, that an effectual Stop should be put to those Pirates, and that the Ships sent out to cruize in the West-India Seas shall be provided with Commissions of his Catholick Majesty; and Permission is given to treat as Enemies those that shall be found cruizing without such Commissions.——So that our West-India Merchants need only put themselves to the Expence of arming their Vessels to fight the Spanish Pirates; for as to the Guarda Costas, they will for the future behave with as much Honesty and Civility as can be expected.

According to Advices from Vienna, it is certain, that several Camps will be formed in Bohemia next Summer, tho' the Places for them are not yet assigned, nor the General Officers named. It is still given out, that there are very important Affairs on the Tapis; the Regulation of the Barrier and the Tariff in the Netherlands, seems to engrois the Attention of the Ministry, a grand Council having been lately held upon it in Presence of their Imperial Majesties, which lasted from Nine in the Morning 'til Three in the Afternoon, after which a Courier was dispatched to Brussels, and another to London.——As it is but a very few Days March from Silesia to the Gates of Vienna, the Court has at last resolved to put the Imperial Residence in a better Posture of Defence than ever it has been, and for this Purpose to follow the Plan of the late Field Marshal Count Khevenhuller.

In a few Days three more Men of War will be put into Commission, on Board one of which Admiral Knowles will embark, for his Government of Jamaica.

April 13. Private Letters from Copenhagen take Notice, that within these four or five Weeks about fifty Ships, bound to France, have sailed through the Sound; of which Number there were Twenty-two for Bourdeaux only. They also observe, that most of those Vessels were Dutch, and from the whole we may gather, that France not only carries on a fine Trade in the Baltick, but is very diligent in providing herself with Naval Stores.

We have the following Account from Capt. Hill, of the Queen Mary, just arrived from Jamaica.

"On the 16th of January, I saw in my Passage a Ship and two Snows to the Westward, and at Noon came up and spoke with them. They told me they should be glad to keep me Company thro' the Passage, if I would carry modest Sail, and a Light at Night Times; accordingly I hoisted a Pendant. On the 18th in the Morning, I lost Sight of the Ship and one of the Snows. The other Snow, which was bound to Cork, was about a League to Windward of me, with a Sloop about a Mile to Windward of her, who had been dogging us for two Days past. At Two in the Afternoon, I observed the Sloop to hoist her Colours, and to endeavour by Degrees to edge along side of the Snow, in Order to clap her on Board. Upon which, the Snow bearing towards me, as it were for Protection, I immediately hoisted a blue Ensign and Pendant, and set all the Sail I possibly could, and hawled close by the Wind for her; which did not much surprize them, 'til I beat open some Ports between Decks, and fixing the Crowns of old Hats to the End of some Handspikes, the Crowns of the Hats being chalked over the Center, to represent the Muzzle of a Gun, ran them a little without the Ports, that they might just discover them. As soon as they perceived this, they presently hawled their Wind, and crowded all the Sail they could, and in about two Hours and a Half, ran out of Sight. The Captain of the Snow came under my Lee Quarter, and returned me Thanks for saving his Vessel."

May 7. We learn from Paris, that, among the Jettons for the Year 1752, the *Devices* of those for the *Royal Treasury* are, a *Fountain* running, with these Words, *Fluit æternumque ministrat*, i. e. *It flows, and ever shall.* For the *Marine*, an *Halcyon*'s Nest on a calm Sea, with a Brood of young Birds ready to fly, with this Motto, *Gaudet prole nova*, i. e. *She rejoices in her Young.* For the *Colonies, Mercury*, the *God of Trade*, with his *Caduceus*, adorn'd with Flower-de-Luces flying over the Ocean, with these Words, *Utrique facit Commercia Mundo*, i. e. *He unites the Commerce of both Worlds.* ——*May French* Wit prove the Source of British Wisdom.——

Our Correspondent at Paris acquaints us, that some People give out the Court has actually received Advice of the Surrender of Trinchinapali; but that this is attended with Circumstances which at this Juncture render it improper for the publick Ear. The Parliament seem determined to decide once for all, whether they are Something or Nothing; and the Question will be very soon resolved.

It is said, that the French expected this Year, three very rich Cargoes from the Indies; and the Nabob of their chief Ally there, we hear, was killed by a Party, who had heretofore been Associates for him, in a late Engagement; but that another was immediately chosen to replace him, who is as powerful, and in all Probability will subdue his Enemies; and that this Affair does not in the least affect the French Commerce.

It is said that Commodore Saunders, who has hoisted his Flag on Board his Majesty Ship the Penzance, and is to protect the Fishery on the Banks, and at the Isle of Newfoundland, has Instructions to look once more for the Island in the Latitude of 49 Deg. 30 Minutes, of which the World has heard so much, and seen so little.

CHARLES-TOWN, South-Carolina, May 11.

From Africa we have Advice, that there is a great Number of French Men of War on the Coasts of that Continent: And that they are erecting floating Factories and Forts in several Parts where we formerly had the greatest Trade.——Capt. Bestock, who arrived a few Days ago, saw three French Ships of 74, 59, and 18 Guns, on the Windward Coast.

Halifax, in Nova-Scotia, May 30. On Saturday last was taken within the Mouth of our Harbour, and on Monday brought to Town, a Sea-Monster, a Female of the Kind, whose Body was of about the Bigness of an Ox, and something resembling one, covered with short Hair of a brownish Colour; the Skin near an Inch and a Half thick, very loose and rough; the Neck thick and short, resembling that of a Bull; the Head very small in Proportion to the Body, and considerably like an Aligator's; in the upper Jaw were two Teeth, of about 9 or 10 Inches long, and crooked downwards, of considerable Bigness and Strength, supposed to be pure Ivory; the Legs very short and thick, ending with Finns and Claws like those of a Sea-Tortoise; the Flesh and Inwards of this Creature, upon being open'd, appeared to resemble those of an Ox or Horse: It has been shewn here for several Days past, with Satisfaction to the Spectators; and we hear the Fat of it is now trying up to make Oil.

Portsmouth, in New-England, May 15. The Sloop Seaflower, belonging to Piscataqua River, is just arrived from Barbados, the Master of which informs, that he left that Island the 14th of April last, and on the 16th, at Two o'Clock, P. M. he espied two Sail, one under the Lee, and the other (a large Ship) on the Weather Bow, bore N. N. E. standing to the Southward; the Ship then bore down on the said Sloop under French Colours 'til she came so near as to command her, when she hoisted Spanish Colours, and fired a Shot under her, and brought her to, then ordered the Master on Board the Ship, and to bring his Journal with him; but the Boat not being good, the Spaniard hoisted out theirs, and carried the said Master on Board; who found that she came from Old Spain, was bound for La-Vera-Cruz, and had been out 8 Weeks, mounted 24 Carriage Guns, with 180 Men; and having but four Days Allowance of Water, compelled the said Master to let them have a Barrel of Rum out of his own Adventure, and gave him 32 Dollars for it; telling him he should not say that he had met with a Pirate; and thank'd him for supplying him when he was in great Want, as also informing him how far he was to the Westward, being in the Lat. 19 d. 0 m. N. and Long. 60 d. 16 m. West from the Meridian of London; but the Spaniard judged himself to be to the Westward of Porto-Rico.——The unfortunate Master of the said Sloop being now safe arriv'd, in this Port of Piscataqua, with Vessel and Cargoe to his Owners, is by them charged with a Breach of Orders and Piracy, for supplying the poor Spaniards at Sea when in great Want.——Let this be a Warning to all Masters of Vessels to be careful of making a Breach of Orders, tho' they be compelled by a Spanish Ship of 24 Guns and 180 Men, or any other Vessel of superior Force.

BOSTON, June 8.

The Great and General Court have made a Grant of Six Hundred Pounds (lawful Money) for the Relief of the Poor of the Town of Boston, under their Distresses occasioned by the Small-Pox; which Money is immediately to be put into the Hands of the Overseers of the Poor, to be disposed of according to their best Discretion.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, with the Advice of his Majesty's Council, and at the Desire of the House of Representatives, has been pleased to issue a Proclamation, appointing Thursday, the second Day of July next, to be observed as a Day of Fasting and Prayer throughout the Province, on Account of the Small-Pox, and other malignant Diseases now in many Parts of the Land.

We hear, that a BRIEF will accompany the Proclamations, to be read at the same Time in every Assembly, exhorting all well-disposed Persons to contribute towards the Relief of the Poor in this Town.

An Account of the Number of People who have died in this Town for several Weeks past, as we find it published weekly in the Boston Gazette.

From April 7 to April 14, eighteen Whites, and one Black.
From April 14 to April 21, twenty five Whites, and three Blacks.
From April 21 to April 28, twenty-one Whites, and three Blacks.
From April 28 to May 5, twenty-six Whites, and five Blacks.
From May 5 to May 12, forty-two Whites, and five Blacks.
From May 12 to May 19, forty-eight Whites, and eleven Blacks.
From May 19 to May 26, sixty-eight Whites, and nine Blacks.
From May 26 to June 2, eighty-five Whites, and eight Blacks.
From June 2 to June 9, seventy-five Whites, and eight Blacks.
From June 9 to June 16, fifty-eight Whites, and four Blacks.

NEW-YORK, June 15.

We have an Account from Goshen, that on the eighteenth of last Month, four of the Inhabitants of that Place, viz. Robert Thompson, Anthony Car, Silas Houlse, and Abraham Finch, set out from thence with Design to view the Land called the Great-Patent, at the Head of Delaware River; and five Days after, in the long dark wet Weather we had at that Time, they were all lost in the Woods: They continued wandering about twelve Days almost starved; and in their Rambling met with an old Indian Hut, where they found a Piece of a raw Deer-skin, which they roasted and eat as a delicious Morsel, having nothing else for above six Days, but a few wild Herbs they pick'd up; at length growing faint, they killed one of their Horses to eat. In this Extremity, they at last perceiv'd a high Hill; to the Top of which they travelled, and from thence happily discover'd a House at the Minisinks.

Extract of a Letter from a Gentleman at Coracoa, to his Friend in New-York, dated May 31, 1752.

"The Spaniards continue daily to take our Vessels. Yesterday came in "a Vessel from Jamaica, with the People of a Sloop belonging to this "Place who was taken lately by the Spaniards, valued at 60,000 Pieces "of Eight, which will greatly hurt this Island."

June 29. Last Wednesday Night, the House of Mr. Thomas Perry, Watch-maker, on the Dock, near the Merchants Coffee-house in this City, was broke open, when all the Family were asleep, and near Seventy Pounds in Gold and Silver Coin taken out of his Desk: There was also a Bundle of Paper Money in the Desk, which was left; and such Boldness was used in the Robbery, that the Street-lamp was taken from the Coffee-house for Light, and left in Mr. Perry's Entry: Three Clocks in the House were stopped, and it is supposed the Watches were aimed at, but they were all happily carried into the Bed-room. The next Evening one Edward Lee, a young Man from Virginia, of a mean Appearance in Cloaths, and who had not been here but about two or three Days, going into a Tavern near the Whitehall with some Seamen, he drank pretty freely, and made a great Show of Money; which occasioned some Suspicion;

picion; whereupon he was adviſed to give the Money to the Landlord, to keep for him 'til next Morning; when Mr. Perry was ſent for, and acquainted with the Matter; who thereupon deſcribed a Purſe of Gold, and a Number of Pieces of Silver, ſo exactly, as put the Matter beyond Diſpute they were the ſame; upon which the Fellow was immediately apprehended and committed to Jail. On ſearching of him, there was alſo found a Number of Pinchbeck waſh'd Buttons, which Mr. Perry exactly deſcribed, and produced others of the ſame Sort. So that if this Fellow has no Aſſociates in his Villainy, he may poſſibly reap the Reward due to his Labour alone.

PHILADELPHIA, June 18.

From Jamaica there is Advice, that Commodore Townſend, who, it was ſaid, was out on a Cruize, in Order to make Repriſals on the Spaniards, unlawfully taken by them from the Engliſh, was return'd without any Succeſs.

June 25. By Captain Reeve, from Jamaica, there is Advice, that a Spaniſh Launch, with one white Man, and ſeventeen Negroes, on Board, is carried into Kingſton by the Commodore's Tender, which ſhe attempted twice to take: It was ſaid ſhe had taken one Veſſel, before ſhe met with the Tender.

Extract of a Letter from Reading, June 29, 1752.

"We hear from Cumberland, that two Men, Servants to Indian Traders, had quarrel'd, but ſeemingly made up the Difference, when one of them, watching his Opportunity, cut the Throat of the other in ſuch a Manner with his Couteau, that he died immediately. On Wedneſday Evening laſt, one Michael Renner, watching at a Deer Lick, in Bern Townſhip, about Twilight, ſaw ſomething approaching the Lick, which he took to be a Deer; but being in Doubt, made a little Noiſe, that if it was a human Creature, it might anſwer him; but the Noiſe not being heard, and the Object ſtill moving about the Lick, Renner was fully perſuaded it was a Deer, ſo ſhot at it, and immediately heard a Voice cry out, *You have ſhot me to Death*. He then went for ſome of the Neighbours, and found that it was one John Shutzman, who was quite dead, having receiv'd five Wounds; upon which he deliver'd himſelf up to a Juſtice, who committed him to Lancaſter Jail. A ſad Accident happened here, likewiſe, on Friday laſt: One Wolfgang Haggan, a Gunſmith, ſnapping a Gun careleſly in his Shop, a Spark fir'd about three Pounds of Powder, that lay near him, which burnt him in a terrible Manner; and forcing its Way thro' to the upper Floor, overturn'd a Caſk of near One Hundred Weight of Powder, which blowing off rent the Houſe from the firſt Story into a thouſand Piece. The Shock was felt through the whole Town; but happily no other Miſchief enſued, and 'tis thought the Man will recover."

ANNAPOLIS, in Maryland, July 9.

On Sunday the 28th of June laſt, the Rev. Mr. Hugh Conn, a Preſbyterian Miniſter, as he was preaching to a Congregation near Bladenſburg, in Prince George's County, dropp'd down dead in his Pulpit. The Subject he was upon gave him Occaſion to mention "the Certainty of Death, "the Uncertainty of the Time when it might happen, the abſolute Ne"ceſſity of being continually prepared for it, the vaſt Danger of Delay "to be conſtantly in ſuch a State, or truſting to a Death-Bed Repentance; "for that altho' we may poſſibly live ſome Years, yet, we may be called "away in a Month, or in a Week, or for aught any one could tell, *Death "might ſurprize us the next Moment*;" which laſt Part of his Diſcourſe he was obſerved to deliver with ſome Elevation of Voice; but had ſcarce utter'd the Word *Moment*, when, without ſpeaking any more (putting one Hand to his Head, and the other to his Side), he fell backward and expired; verifying in a moſt extraordinary Manner the Truth of his Doctrine.

July 16. We are informed from many Parts of the Province, that by Reaſon of the Worm, and ſundry Accidents, there is likely to be but an indifferent Crop of Tobacco this Year.

WILLIAMSBURG, July 30.

Entered Inwards, in *York* River.

July 20. *Snow Adventure, of Hull, William Gunhouſe, from Hampton.*
22. *Brigt. Abington, of Virginia, James Mudie, from Madeira and Barbados.*
22. *Brigantine Little Molly, of Virginia, Thomas Perrin, to load for Barbados.*

Cleared Outwards.

July 20. *Ship Polly, of London, William Thomſon, for London.*
20. *Ship Berry, of London, James Belcher, for London.*
21. *Ship Oſgood, of London, Andrew Crookſhanks, for London.*
21. *Ship New Hatley, George Hill, for London.*
22. *Schooner John and Eleanor, of Virginia, Thomas Henderſon, for Barbados.*
22. *Brigt. Little Molly, of this Port, Thomas Perrin, for Barbados.*

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Juſt arrived from Africa,

THE Ship HAMPTON, *Edward Wiltſhire* Commander, with a Cargoe of choice healthy Slaves, the Sale of which will begin at *Bermuda*-Hundred, on *Tueſday* the fourth Day of *Auguſt*, and to continue 'til all are ſold.

1 *John Robinſon, Humphry Hill.*

Purſuant to the Will of the late Alexander Spotſwood, *Eſq; deceaſed, will be expoſed to Sale,*

TWO Thouſand Acres of choice Land, lying in *Culpeper* County, about thirty Miles from *Frederickſburg*, for ready Money, or Bills of Exchange; the Sale to be on the firſt *Tueſday* in *September* next.

John Spotſwood.

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THE Veſtry of *Truro* Pariſh, in *Fairfax* County, will meet on the firſt Monday in *September* next, at the Houſe of the Rev. Mr. *Charles Green*, in the ſaid County, to receive Propoſals for building on the Glebe Land, according to Law: The Dwelling-Houſe to be Brick, to contain in the Clear about 1200 Feet, one Story, and Cellars below, with convenient Rooms and Cloſets as the Ground will allow.

William Payne, *Daniel McCarty.* } Churchwardens.

Williamſburg, July 30, 1752.

ALL Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of Mr. *Thomas Wharton*, deceaſed, are deſired to pay their reſpective Ballances before the 25th of *April* next, or elſe their Bonds will be put into the Hands of an Attorney. I publiſh this Advertiſement, that no one may complain of not having ſufficient Notice.

Thomas Dawſon, Executor.

NICHOLAS POWELL, TAYLOR,

IS juſt arriv'd from *England*, and ſettled in *York* Town. Gentlemen who will favour him with their Commands, may depend on being faithfully and expeditiouſly ſerv'd, and in the genteeleſt Faſhion.

I DO hereby forewarn all Perſon from purchaſing a Note of Hand of mine, payable to one *John Dean*, of *Richmond* County, for Seventy Pounds Current Money; the ſaid Note was obtain'd in *June* 1752, in a fraudulent Manner, and without any Conſideration, and that I will not pay the ſame to any Purchaſer. Witneſs my Hand this 27th Day of *June*, 1752.

4 *Jeremiah Morton.*

RAN away from the Subſcriber, in *Frederickſburg*, on the 15th Inſtant, an *Engliſh* Servant Man, named *Joſeph Carpenter*, a fat, thick, well-ſet Fellow, about five Feet three Inches high, and about 26 Years of Age; he has a very thick Under-lip, and had on when he went away, an old Beaver Hat, an Oznabrig Shirt and Trowſers, a brown Duroy Coat, lined with white Shalloon, and a Pair of old Shoes; he took with him ſome other Cloaths, and ſome Books; he can read and write very well, and pretends to be a Copper Smith and Braſier. He is ſuppos'd to be gone down the River, in Order to get on Board ſome Veſſel, and ſo make his Eſcape. Whoever will ſecure and deliver him to me, ſhall have a Piſtole Reward if taken up within 10 Miles of *Frederickſburg*, or Two Piſtoles if taken up at a greater Diſtance, beſides what the Law allows.

William Lynn.

RAN away from the *Patapſco* Iron-Works, in *Maryland*, on the firſt of *July*, a *Dutch* Servant Man, belonging to *Charles Carroll*, Eſq; and Company, named *Michael Hollingſkow*, alias *Holſhoo*, he went away on Horſeback, having with him two Horſes, one of them of a Roan Colour, the Colour of the other uncertain, but ſuppoſed a Bay; he was ſeen between *Patapſco* and *Annapolis*, and is ſuppoſed to be gone towards *Virginia*. He had on a blue Coat, trimm'd with white Metal Buttons, a cock'd Hat, and is dreſs'd in the *Dutch* Manner: He has a Gun with him, which he carries ſometimes ſlung at his Back: He is a down-looking Fellow, of a middle Size, with thick Lips and black Hair, and I think black Eyes, a brown Complexion, and ſpeaks bad *Engliſh*.

Whoever ſecures the ſaid Servant in any Goal, ſo that he may be had again, ſhall have Three Pounds Reward, and reaſonable Charges, paid by

Richard Croxall.

TAKEN up the 30th of *July* 1752, by the Subſcriber, in *New-Kent* County, at *Chemokins*, a middle-ſiz'd Bay Mare, with a Blaze in her Face, a black Mane and Tail, branded on the near Buttock C, and on the near Shoulder 40. The Owner may have her of me, on proving his Property and paying as the Law directs.

Charles Lemay.

ONE Thouſand Acres (or thereabouts) of Land, lying on *Nanſemond* River, between two Creeks, about a Mile below *Suffolk* Town, whereon is Eight Plantations, Orchards, a large Quantity of good Marſh, and well-timber'd Wood-Land, the greateſt Part may be incloſ'd with leſs than a Mile of Fence, commonly call'd *Packer's-Necks*, to be ſold for ready Money, on the 18th Day of *September* next, on the Premiſſes. For further Particulars enquire of Mr. *Lemuel Riddick*, in *Suffolk*, or of me on Board His Majeſty's Ship *Triton*, in *York* River.

Matthew Whitwell.

Smithfield, July 13, 1752.

A BOX or Bail, imported into *Rappahanock* in the *Dutcheſs of Queenſbury*, Captain *Dick*, about a Year ago, directed to Mr. *William Richmond*, Merchant, at *Edenton*, in *North-Carolina*, to the Care of *Watſon* and *Cairnes*, in *Suffolk, Virginia*. Whoever has it in Poſſeſſion, and will give Notice thereof to the Printer, or to Meſſrs. *Watſon* and *Cairnes*, or to the Subſcriber, ſhall be thankfully repaid all Charges.

William Hurſt.

A BOX mark'd T B, containing 97 Yards of Oznabrigs, and a Womans blue Hat, laced; a Caſk mark'd PL in a Piece, containing three Dozen Broad Hoes; were left in Col. *Hunter's* Warehouſe, in *Hampton*, ſome Time ago. The Owner on applying may have them.

To be SOLD,

FOUR Hundred and Twenty Acres of Land, in *King-William* County, about Ten Miles from *Aylett's* Warehouſe, Part of a Tract lately belonging to Col *Edwin Thacker*. Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe may know the Terms, by applying to Mr. *Henry Waſhington*, in *Middleſex* County, or to Col. *Lewis Burwell*, in *James-City*. 2

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By *JAMES HERVEY*, A. B.
Late of *Lincoln-College, Oxford.*

N. B. This Book is ſo much approv'd of, that it has already gone thro' ſeveral Impreſſions, and is in daily Requeſt.

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AS I intend ſhortly for *Great-Britain*, I deſire all Perſons indebted to me to diſcharge their reſpective Ballances, between this and the twenty-fifth Day of *October* next, in ſo doing they will prevent Trouble, and oblige

Their very humble Servant,

Alexander Finnie.

N. B. I intend to ſell the *Raleigh* Tavern, to be enter'd on in *December* next. Any Perſon that has a Mind to purchaſe it privately, may apply to me between the Date hereof and the 25th of *October* next.

A. F.

To be SOLD,

PURSUANT to the laſt Will and Teſtament of *Sterling Clack*, deceas'd, for the Payment of his Debts, on *Tueſday* the 25th Day *Auguſt* next, being *Brunſwick* Court-Day, at the Court-Houſe of the ſaid County, the Mannor Plantation of the ſaid Teſtator, with 1000 Acres of choice Land, with Houſes, Orchards, and other Improvements thereon, and Ground in Order for Cropping ſufficient to employ 12 Slaves. Alſo another Plantation, within two Miles of the former, with 1900 Acres, and other Lands in the ſaid County; and alſo a Moiety of 2000 Acres in the County of *Lunenburg*. Six Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchaſer giving Bond, with good Security, as uſual, to

5‖ *John Clack*, Executor.

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of Land, lying in *James-City* County, about two Miles from where *Powers* formerly kept Ordinary, either together or in Parcels, containing One Thouſand Six Hundred Acres. Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe the ſaid Land, may know the Terms by applying to the Subſcriber, living in *King-William* County.

Thomas Chamberlayne.

July 21, 1752.

STRAY'D from the Subſcriber, near *Williamſburg*, ſome Time in *May* laſt, a dark Bay Horſe, with a Blaze in his Face, about 13 Hands high, his two hind Feet white, branded on the Shoulder and Buttock W. Alſo a Sorrel Horſe, 14 Hands and one Inch high, with a Star in his Forehead, paces well, branded on the off Buttock S, and on the near Buttock with a plain Brand unknown. Whoever brings them to me ſhall receive a Piſtole Reward for each.

t. l. o. *Nathaniel Crawley*, Jun.

STRAY'D from the Subſcriber, in *May* laſt, a large Sorrel Mare, about fourteen Hands and a half high, with a white Mane and Tail, and a ſmall Blaze down her Face, neither dock'd nor branded, ſhe is a natural Pacer, and has very remarkable Hoofs, they all having white Streaks down 'em. Whoever brings her to me, in *Brunſwick* County, near the new Court-Houſe, or to Mr. *Robert Ruffin*, in *Surry* County, ſhall have a Piſtole Reward.

5‖ *John Clack.*

STRAY'D or ſtolen out of Mr. *Aaron Crane*'s Paſture, near *Manca-bic* Church, in *King-William* County, on *Tueſday* Night the 2d of *June* laſt, a middle-ſiz'd light-grey Horſe, not branded, his hinder Hoofs much wore by dragging; he can pace ſlowly, but trots pretty faſt, and eaſy, his Mane hangs moſt on the near Side. Whoever brings him to the Subſcriber, in *Caroline* County, or gives Intelligence, ſo that he may be had again, ſhall receive half a Piſtole Reward, paid by

John Brunſkill.

STRAY'D from the Subſcriber, out of Mr. *John Hyndman*'s Lot, in *Williamſburg*, on the 16th of *June* laſt, Two Horſes, one a large dark Bay, with a Star in his Forehead, and branded on the near Buttock R. S. he was low in Fleſh. The other a middle-ſiz'd bright Bay, with a Star in his Forehead in the Shape of a Diamond, his near hind Foot white, with two Saddle Spots on the near Side of his Back, no Brand. Whoever brings them to Mr. *John Hyndman*, in *Williamſburg*, or to me, in *Newcaſtle*, ſhall have a Piſtole Reward for each.

Duncan Graham.

King-William County, *July* 22, 1752.

THERE is in the Subſcriber's Paſture, near *Weſt-Point*, a large grey Mare, branded on the near Buttock MB in a Piece, paces naturally. Alſo has been in the ſaid Paſture ever ſince *March* 1751, two large Draught Steers, one Black, the other a Brindle Pied, their Mark is a Crop and two Slits in the right Ear, and ſomething like a half Crop in the left. The Owner or Owners of the ſaid Cattle may have 'em on paying Charges.

Ferdinando Leigh.

To be Lett, and enter'd on the firſt of November *next,*

THE Ordinary at *Claiborne*'s Ferry, with all convenient Out-houſes. The Terms may be known by applying to

Nathaniel Claiborne.

THE Ship *Allerton*, belonging to Mr. *John Hardman*, of *Liverpool*, *James Wallace*, Maſter, lying at *Berkeley*, in *James* River, takes in Tobacco at 7 *l. per* Ton, with Liberty of Conſignment. Any Gentlemen inclinable to ſhip, are deſired to ſend their Notes or Orders to Col. *Benjamin Harriſon* at *Berkeley*, Mr. *David Bell* at *Warwick*, Mr. *Robert Craig* at *King-William*, and to the Printer hereof, in *Williamſburg*.

N. B. Any Gentlemen that pleaſe to conſign their Tobaccos to Mr. *Hardman*, may depend on having their Goods, in Return, delivered at the moſt convenient Landings, clear of Charge.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, living in *Fredericksburg*, about the 20th of *June* laſt, a Convict *Iriſh* Servant Man, named *William Farrell*; he is about 6 Feet high, ſtrong and well-made, looks very much like a Sailor, wears his Hat cock'd, and a Silk Handkerchief about his Neck; had on when he went away, a Sailors Jacket and Trowſers; carried with him a brown Cloth Veſt without Sleeves, a dark grey Frize Frock, about half wore, a Grizle Wig, and a Scarlet Jacket; he is a Cloathier and Dyer by Trade; has a ſtrong Voice, and gives impertinent Anſwers; he appears to be about 25 Years of Age. Whoever ſecures and brings him to me, ſhall have Two Piſtoles Reward, beſides what the Law allows.

3‖ *Anthony Strother.*

N. B. He's thought to be gone towards *Mobjack* Bay, or *York* River, in a Schooner belonging to Capt. *Garnett*.

Peterſburg, *July* 15, 1752.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, a Negroe Man, named *Emanuel*, about 25 Years of Age, about 6 Feet 2 Inches high; had on when he went away, a Pair of Shoes with Buckles, no Stockings, a Pair of ſhort brown Cloth Breeches, a check'd Shirt, a dreſs'd Buckſkin Veſt, without Sleeves, he carried with him a Book or two: He lately came from *New-York*, in the Sloop *Henry*, and talks good *Engliſh*; and pretends to talk *Spaniſh*, and to be a Freeman. Whoever ſecures him, ſo that I may have him again, ſhall have Three Piſtoles Reward, and all Charges paid, by

John Brown.

July 13, 1752.

STRAY'D from the Subſcriber's Plantation, in *Dryſdale* Pariſh, *King & Queen* County, a black Mare, with four white Legs, a white Face, branded on the near Shoulder AH in a Piece. There went with her a black Horſe Colt, unbranded, with a Blaze in his Face. Whoever brings the ſaid Mare and Colt to me, ſhall have a Piſtole Reward.

Robert Innis.

Albemarle County, *July* 9, 1752.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, living on the Branch of *Slate* River, known by the Name of *Arthur*'s Creek, a light grey Mare, about 4 Feet 3 Inches high, branded on the near Buttock I W. She has a large Bell on. The Owner may have her on proving his Property and paying as the Law directs.

‖ *Thomas Blakey.*

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, living in *Weſtmoreland* County, a ſmall Grey Horſe, about 12 Hands high, branded on the near Buttock H. Alſo a dark grey Horſe, near 14 Hands high branded on the near Shoulder T, and on the near Buttock W. They have been poſted and appraiſed according to Law. The Owner may have them of me, on proving his Property, and paying as the Law directs.

Nathaniel Jackſon.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, living in *Spotſylvania* County, on the 26th of *Feb.* laſt, a ſmall Bay Horſe, with a white Spot on his Shoulder, one white Foot, and branded on the ſhoulder and Buttock M. The Owner may have him of me, on proving his Property and paying as the Law directs.

‖ *John Chew.*

June 15, 1752.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber at his Plantation in *Brunſwick* County, poſted and appraiſed according to Law, a black Gelding, with a Blaze in his Face, unbroke, ſuppoſed to be two Years old, about 13 Hands high, dock'd, but not branded, paces naturally. The Owner may have him of me, living in *Surry* County, near *Hog-Iſland*, on proving his Property, and paying as the Law directs.

‖ *Henry Seward.*

Fredericksburg, *June* 30, 1752.

ANY Perſons of the Name of *Boyd*, and deſcended from the Family of *Trockridge*, in the Shire of *Air*, *Scotland*, on applying to the Subſcriber, may hear of ſomething much to their Advantage.

‖ *Thomas Macredie.*

Middleſex County, *June* 10, 1752.

RAN away, laſt Night, from the Subſcriber, a white Servant Man, named *John Johnſon*, a Ploughman, and pretends to underſtand Malting and Brickmaking; he is about 5 Feet 6 Inches high, and took with him a dark colour'd Cloth Coat, a lapell'd Fuſtian Coat lined with brown Holland, a brown Allopeen Waſtecoat lined with Blue, a white Kerſey ditto, two Oznabrigs Shirts, and one white ditto, a Pair of Fuſtian Breeches with white Metal Buttons, two Pair of Oznabrigs Trouſers, a brown Wig, a Caſtor Hat, a Pair of *Virginia* Yarn Stockings, and Shoes.

Alſo a Mulatto Man, named *Syphax*, he was lately bought of Mr. *Henry Ennalls*, Jun. of *Dorcheſter* County, in *Maryland*, by Trade a Blackſmith; he is a likely briſk young Fellow, the fore Part of his Head ſhaved, and the back Part long Wool; he took with him a brown Cloth Coat and Waſtecoat, the Coat has two Patches on the left Side of the Back, ſewed in with white Thread, a Pair of ſtrip'd *Virginia*-Cloth Breeches, ſome brown Linen Shirts, and one white ditto, a Hat, Shoes and Stockings. They took a Gun with them. Whoever will apprehend and convey the ſaid Runaways to me, ſhall have Ten Piſtoles Reward, beſides what the Law allows.

N. B. If they ſhould be taken ſeparate, Two Piſtoles for the white Man, and Eight for the Mulatto. t. f. *Armiſtead Churchill.*

To be SOLD, on reaſonable Terms,

ELEVEN Hundred Acres of choice Land, in *King-William* County, about a Mile from *Pamunkey* River, with a large Dwelling-Houſe, under-pin'd with Brick, and Brick Chimneys, and all other convenient Houſes, moſt of them lately built. Any Perſon inclineable to purchaſe the Whole, or any Part, may know the Terms by applying to the Subſcriber, who lives near the Premiſſes.

Philip Claiborne.

N. B. The Plantation to be delivered up the Middle of *November* next, and large Credit will be allowed for a great Part of the Money.

t. f. *Philip Claiborne.*

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of Land, lying in *Hanover* County, about 18 Miles from *Page*'s Warehouſe, containing about 1000 Acres, more or leſs: There are three Plantations on the ſaid Land, with very good Buildings. The Terms may be known, by applying to the Subſcriber, on the Premiſſes.

t. f. *John Winn.*

Stafford County, *March* 2, 1752.

AS I have near 30,000 Acres of extraordinary good freſh Land, in *Fairfax* and *Prince William*, which I would willingly rent out to honeſt Tenants, I have impowered Mr. *John Weſt*, jun. at the Town of *Alexandria* (or *Belhaven*) in *Fairfax*, to ſhew the Lands and agree on the Terms, with ſuch Perſons as apply to him to rent the ſame, for three Lives, or 21 Years, and hereby engage myſelf, and my Heirs, to perform whatever Agreements he enters into on that Account.

t. f. *John Mercer.*

To be SOLD, by the Subſcriber, living in Prince George *County, on the Premiſſes, on the ſecond* Monday *in* Auguſt *next, to the higheſt Bidder, for ready Money,*

FOURTEEN Hundred Acres of Land, containing both valuable high and low Grounds, affords good Water, good Paſturage, and is well-timbered with large Oak, Pine and Poplar, whereon are three good Plantations, in good Order for Cropping; and the Manor Plantation is a very handſome Situation, with the following Conveniencies, *viz.* One Dwelling-houſe, 38 by 25, containing 4 Rooms and 4 Cloſets, with two Brick Chimneys, plaiſter'd and White-waſh'd; alſo another Dwelling-houſe, 38 by 18, with a Stack of Chimnies in the Middle, two Rooms on a Floor, and a large Cloſet, plaiſtered and white-waſh'd, a good Dairy, Meat-houſe, Smoak-houſe, Kitchen, Quarter, Spinning-houſe, with a Brick Chimney, one 40 and one 32 Feet Tobacco Houſes, a large well-fix'd Store, with ſeveral other convenient Houſes and Orchards; and on each of the other Plantations are two 32 Feet Tobacco Houſes, an Overſeer's Houſe, and Negroe Quarters; likewiſe Orchards, and good Water.

21 *Thomas Eldridge.*

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